



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Tatsuya MORIKAGE et al.

Group Art Unit: 1763

Application No.: 10/253,431

Examiner: A. CROWELL

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For: ELECTRODE COVER, PLASMA APPARATUS UTILIZING THE COVER, AND METHOD
OF FITTING THE COVER ONTO THE PLASMA ELECTRODE

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired May 6, 2006, an extension of time for a period of ONE month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 179665 in the amount of \$120.00 in payment for:

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